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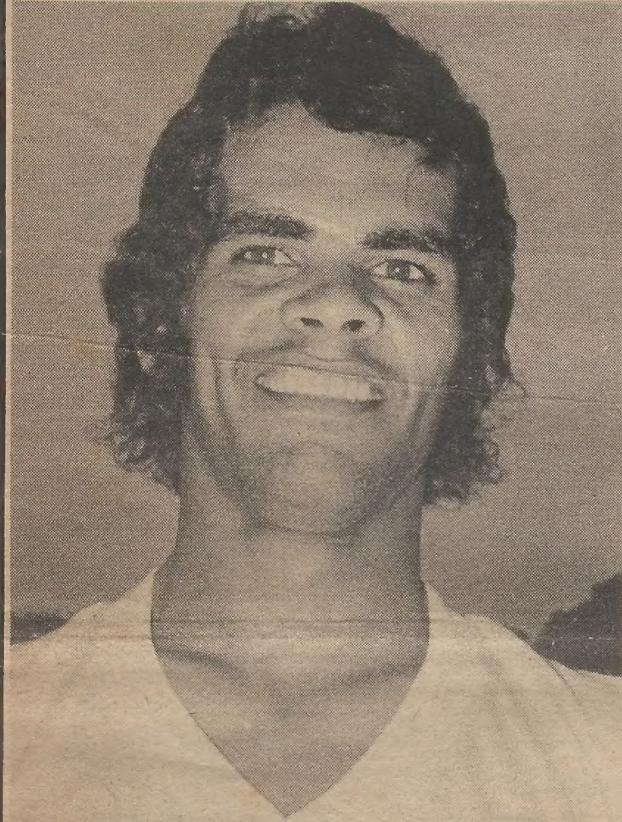
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CANBERRA ALL WILD ABOUT HARRY



Williams — soon a Government post?

Harry Williams, the brilliant St. George Soccerroo fullback, is likely to move to Canberra soon and hopes to play for City.

He was offered a job in the Department of Aboriginal Affairs where one of the Assistant Secretaries is ex-soccer player, Aboriginal campaigner and now Canberra City vice-president Charlie Perkins.

St. George are somewhat annoyed that Canberra officials had approached Williams before contacting the club.

Now they feel that Williams' long absence from soccer — seven months — through a mystery groin injury could have had something to do with his Canberra prospects.

They are even more incensed over a rumor that Williams is "unhappy" with the club.

St. George BSC general manager Les Bordacs, starting in his new assignment this week, said the rumor, believed to have originated in Canberra, was designed to undermine the improving spirit of his team.

"If average players change hands for \$10,000 and more — and if Canberra can ask \$7000 for Brian Stoddart — surely Harry Williams must be in the Kosmina-Hermiston category," said Bordacs.

"Earlier this year we made an official approach to Adelaide City for Marocchi and were told that he wasn't available 'at any price'.

"All clubs have the prerogative to get compensated for their stars, why not St. George?

"We'd much rather keep Harry who has been with us throughout his senior career.

"But if he feels he must leave

and is obviously egged on by another club, well, let them pay what he's worth."

Williams told St. George that he was likely to accept the government post — and, being in Canberra, would naturally like to play for City.

Canberra City have offered one of three players to the Saints in an exchange deal: Marocchi, Stoddart and Brown.

This was rejected out of hand. St. George countered this with a demand for Tony

Henderson plus a substantial cash settlement.

The Saints rightly regard Williams as one of the most exciting and best credentialled players in Australia who, on present values, is in the \$20,000-plus category.

They are loath to lose him as in recent times all their greats have departed: Warren, Schaefer, Abonyi and now Utjesenovic.

This week Canberra upped the ante to \$10,000 for Williams

— without offering a player as part of the deal.

They are unlikely to release Henderson who is a local hero and the team's engine room.

It looks likely that the present mid negotiations will soon turn into a bitter argument.

Canberra argue that Williams' future is at stake while the Saints are certain to try to cling to one of their most valuable assets unless they receive a compensation they regard as fair.



Olympic's Don Allan (left) being hypnotised by Footscray goalie Denis Boland in last week's clash.

Mariner sinks Arsenal

In a highly entertaining match, underdogs Ipswich Town outclassed, out-fought and then beat Arsenal 1-0 to win the FA Cup final.

The superb display of Ipswich merely confirms our view that English soccer is once again fast on the mend.

In Mariner, Woods, Beattie, Hunter, Geddis and Talbot, Ipswich had several stars.

Paul Mariner is one of the best central strikers we have seen for a long time and Beattie a remarkable midfield dynamo.

On their showing they both looked cuts above their German counterparts, Fischer and Flohé.

— A.D.

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"Uncle Joe" again grooming starlets

The NSW squad for the national Under-19 championships in Brisbane includes four players with PSL experience.

They are Greg Woodhouse and Ian Rowden (Wests), Peter Raskopoulos (Olympic) and Mike O'Shea (St. George).

The others are Mike Harris (Nepean), Craig Harper (Manly), Glen Fairclough (Auburn), Greg Anklundinoff (Wests), John Karaspyros (Mv. Olympic), Phil Dalton (Wests), Robert Drews (Wests), Don Campbell (Nepean), Craig Hall (Sutherland),

Peter Katholos (Mv. Olympic), Ian Hunter (Nepean) and Paul Kaye (St. George).

State coach Joe Vlasits has also announced two players on standby: Peter Wilson (Olympic) and Allan Robertson (Ku-ring-gai).

Craig Hall was last year voted NSW's best under-19 player.

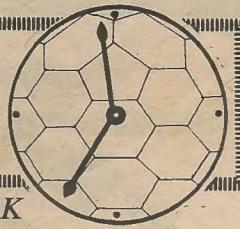
Mike O'Shea is the youngest of the three O'Shea brothers of

whom John and Robert are already in the St. George first team.

The youngest member of the squad is Peter Kaye, 16, a small, frail-looking but highly skilled ex-Wollongong boy.

The NSW team, with manager Lionel Brown and coach Vlasits, will travel to Brisbane on Monday, May 15.

3 TO 7



DAVID CLARK

surveys the NSW lower divisions
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Sixth division club
EASTERN CREEK-
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This, in turn, is named after the Aboriginal artist ALBERT NAMATJIRA who, became world famous for his water color paintings of Central Australian landscapes.

Up to last week EASTERN CREEK had remained undefeated since joining the Federation ranks at the start of the 1977 season.

Many victory celebrations have taken place at the home of the sponsor but let's hope the same fate doesn't befall EASTERN CREEK as did poor Albert.

When he honored his tribal custom and obligation to share his possessions with his tribe, he was gaoled for six months for supplying liquor to Aboriginals!

The annual INTER-VARSITY SOCCER CUP is, understandably, a highly prized trophy within the Universities of Australia.

This year the competition is being held in BRISBANE from 15-19 May and DENNIS FLAHERTY from fourth division SYDNEY UNIVERSITY thinks this might be their year.

Boasting two Federation and six Protestant Churches teams, all under the guidance of coach GEOFF GOLDSTEIN, they certainly have numerous players to call on.

Although league status goes by the board in this competition, both sixth division MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY and SYDNEY UNIVERSITY would obviously prize the scalp of high flying second division team UNIVERSITY OF NSW.

We all know soccer management in the UK is a precarious occupation, but what about reserve grade in the Federation's sixth division?

JIM WALTON, reserve grade manager for WEST ST. GEORGE, is currently in Fiji.

Club officials claim it's a holiday, but after his team's recent first defeat we're not too sure!

How many other teams can match seventh division SYDNEY MACCABI with seven "internationals" plus a "national" coach?

MACCABI coach DENNIS HOGGART last year coached the Australian MACCABI team in the WORLD MACCABI GAMES held in ISRAEL and had seven of his own club players in the "national" team.

The Australian team finished fifth in the 32-nation competition, being beaten only once by eventual silver medalists HOLLAND, 1-0.

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CLUB PATROL

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After a minor tiff with the club, things seem to have settled down now between JOHN DOYLE and APIA, and the big midfielder-cum-striker will remain with the maroon and blues.

Toongabbie seems not to be the only team with several South Americans in the side, as North Sydney Inter can also boast a contingent of ball artists: HERBERT BARROSO, CARLOS LOPEZ and CARLO GIERKIE, all of whom have been with the club for a couple of seasons and have earned much respect.

Warringah Soccer Club will stage an American-style "shoot-out" on Sunday, June 4 at Grahams Reserve, with prizes expected to reach \$1000. Inquiries to the club on 997-6525.

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APIA are preparing a new submission to the Philips League for consideration about entry into the competition. Although the submission is supposed to be the most detailed yet put forward by any club, it couldn't have come at a worse time, for there is a strong undercurrent at work hoping to REDUCE the number of Sydney teams, not increase them.

Part of APIA's submission reveals that entry into the PSL would bring a substantial sponsorship to the club; however, this would only come once APIA are certain to start the 1979 season in the PSL championship — not a good bet, just now.

Arncliffe Scots are planning a harbour cruise to raise money for the Injured Players' Fund. Tickets are \$11 single and \$20 double, obtainable from the club and officials at matches.

On Friday, May 12, St. George BSC are holding a huge soccer coaching clinic for juniors at Gannons Park, Peakhurst. In charge will be Mike Johnson but several first grade players will also help the juniors — from 6 to 16. Those interested should ring the St. George Soccer House.

We could soon be hearing about another MORSELLO in the future. JOHNNY MORSELLO is the younger brother of TONY who is now making a name for himself with Inter Monaro. Johnny, also a former APIA man, followed his brother down to Monaro, but couldn't settle in and came back to Sydney to join North Sydney Inter. Obviously the fact that former APIA coach PHIL BOTLICO is the NS Inter coach had something to do with Johnny's transfer, as Phil must have been grooming him at APIA.

Sutherland have been very pleased with the way that replacement 'keeper PHIL CRAGGS has been playing in MAL HAYNES' absence. Phil, although 25, has only been playing grade football for two years, previously being in the Sutherland All-Age competition. However, after a "goalkeeper" drought at Sutherland Phil was brought in and played well last year, and now has reaffirmed his talents with some solid displays this year.

After a period of about three weeks when JIMMY ZEROS was in something of a slump the Marrickville Olympic midfielder managed to pull himself back to top form with the help of his coach JOHN XIPOLITAS. Now the club will be looking to Jim for leadership as the other "leader" STEVE KABLE is injured.

This Sunday Arncliffe Scots will be holding a knock-out competition for U/9 teams. At present there are 14 teams entered, but another two are needed. Any club wishing to enter a team should contact DAVE DORIAN on 771-4843. Clubs in the St. George area are especially invited; prizes so far total about \$500, so there will be something to play for.

Former Derby and West Adelaide player ERIC CARRUTHERS' transfer to APIA is not news now to most people, but instead of a one year contract Carruthers signed one for two years. Also he will almost certainly take control of either a junior side or the seconds or thirds as coach, as he holds an English FA coaching badge.

After a fairly long search HOWARD HADLEY finally found himself a club. Howard, one of the best centre backs in the State League last year, fell from grace at Sydney Croatia and after a spell without a club was transferred the other week to Croatia Deakin, the Croatian club in Canberra's League.

A former Marconi player of a few years ago has popped up at NS Inter, where he is an integral part of the midfield. CARLO SCHILLIRO was brought out from Italy by Marconi, then after a while joined Melita. Now he has

settled down with Inter and is concentrating on getting them into the top flight.

Good news from Lambert Park is that now anyone, be they APIA fan or visiting fan, can use the small stand inside the ground without risk of being challenged by a ground official. Pleasing for the Press is that several seats will be reserved for them to use on match days.

North Sydney Inter look like being one of the four or five teams pushing for promotion this year, and they have reinforced their squad to prove it. One notable acquisition was MIKE MIKOJACZYK, the former Toongabbie and Avila keeper whom Inter bought recently and who has been playing exceptionally well since.

Congratulations to PETER and ROSLYN WYKES, who had their first child last week. Peter, who is the Sutherland club captain, is now the proud father of a baby girl, KYLIE ANNE.

Although he has been out of action for a fair while, GREG McCANN is still keeping in touch with his club Ku-ring-gai. Greg broke his leg last year in the second last game of the season, and after an operation and bone graft to his shattered shin is still unable to get around without crutches. However, this hasn't stopped him from going along each week to support his team, and the club is hoping that soon this fine clubman will be able to regain his spot as first team goalie.

You win some, you lose some. That could very well be the saying at Croatia now, for no sooner did both MARIJAN KOVACIC and VLADIMIR DUDARIC recover from injuries, than JAN STONE tore some ligaments in his knee and is now in plaster.

Dates for Croatia's matches they will play before they leave for their USA-Canada trip are now available. The champs have rescheduled a couple of games set down for when they will be away to be played prior to their departure and a couple for when they get back. Also their one deferred match will be played before they leave. Dates are: May 17, Wednesday, v Arncliffe; May 24, Wednesday, v Avila; June 21, Wednesday, v Auburn. All matches will be at night, with venues yet to be decided.

Another former Adelaide player, DANNY DANCE, may soon join APIA, following Eric Carruthers.

Already they are being labelled as the best outfit Auburn has produced since the amazing 1975 side which dumfounded all the experts by making the final four. This year's team, though drastically changed in playing and coaching staff, has finally begun to play as a team, and the results are now coming. Much of the credit can go to the two experienced buys, WILLIE HAMILTON and JOHN MACDONALD, both of whom are playing their best stuff in years.

Former Marrickville coach IAN MCKENDRY has been appointed coaching director for Victorian Football Federation.

JOHN DEBONO, Melita Eagles second grader broke a leg and had to be taken to hospital within the first two minutes of the start of the game against Toongabbie last Sunday.

Radio 2EA (Ethnic Radio) presented descriptions from three Greek First Division matches for 90 minutes from 11.40pm last Sunday night. If the experiment proves successful the event will be repeated every Sunday night. As another special event the Greek Cup final will be covered in the same way next month. Hungarian radio plans to give direct broadcasts from the World Cup in Argentina throughout June.

Fraud in Lisbon thwarts Saints

St George's earmarked Portuguese star is either a fraud or the victim of one.

A few weeks ago the Saints were ridiculed in one newspaper for intending to import a player who is 16 years old.

Now it turns out that falsification of documents in Lisbon has created the chaos and mystery.

The Saints agreed late last year to bring out Francisco Jose Maria, who is a striker with first division FC Porto and who was born in 1953, according to all his documents.

However, the person who applied for a visa in Lisbon, under the same name, was born in 1961.

A photocopy of his passport shows that 1961 was changed to 1953.

St. George's Les Bordacs said this week he had little doubt that

— By Andrew Dettre —

a young ring-in wanted to come to Australia with or without the consent of the "real" Maria.

The Australian Embassy in Lisbon also suspects foul play and is investigating the matter.

Recently in the Senate, Senator Tony Muivihill — for long a champion of soccer — raised the matter.

He asked the Minister, representing the Minister for Immigration, Senator Guifoyle:

Does the fact that Mr Maria was born in one of the Portuguese colonies have any significance in the alleged delay?

Senator Guifoyle: "No. The Portuguese Government will not issue passports to 16 year olds (the age of Mr Francisco Maria) without their parents permission. Francisco's father was in Angola

and it was difficult for Francisco to obtain this permission.

"The club on being informed of this on the 23 February, expressed surprise at the age of Francisco as they understood he was 24.

"His age, 16 years, was verified by the Australian Embassy, Lisbon, on the 28 February, 1978.

"The club was informed on 1 March, 1978 and they have now withdrawn their sponsorship for this player."

TOP SCORERS

C. EATON (Wests)	7
JANKOVICS (Marconi)	7
OLLERTON (Sth. Melb)	6
COLE (Fitzroy)	5
FISHER (Wests)	5
HUGHES (Lions)	5
VIERI (Marconi)	5
BODEN (Newcastle)	5
O'CONNOR (St. George)	5
BYRNE (Canberra)	4
GRUICIC (Canberra)	4
J. NYSKOHUS (Ad. City)	4
AINSLIE (Olympic)	4



St George have strongly denied a story in a daily newspaper that they have demanded a huge transfer fee for BRENDAN GROSSE who, the story said, was "unhappy" with the club. The truth is APIA last week made inquiries about Grosse and were told that he wasn't on transfer or for sale: no sum was even mentioned.

Adelaide News

— By Vic Migliaccio —

Places and dates for the free Savings Bank of South Australia coaching clinics for primary school boys between the age of 10-12: Monday, May 22, Ramsey Park (Elizabeth City Ground); Tuesday 23: Woodville West (Beograd's Ground); Wednesday 24: The Paddocks (Para Hills Ground); Thursday 25: Camden Oval (Birkdale Ground); Friday 26: Wilf Taylor Reserve (Noarlunga United Ground). All sessions are between 10am to noon and 2pm to 4pm. Top coaches include Edmund Kreft and Bob D'Otta from Adelaide City. Players like Gerry Pettit, Terry Wetton and Zoran Maricic and many more will teach the boys ball control and skills.

Some of the streets of a new subdivision at Hillbank near Elizabeth, are named after the Polonia side which won the premiership and the Wills Cup in 1975. Most noticeable are Kosmina Ave., Victor St. (Bozanic and Marian Av (Koiecki).

On Wednesday night, May 24, a double-header will be played in the first round of Philips Cup at Hindmarsh Stadium. At 7.30pm Woodville Beograd will play Eastern District Azzurri, at 9.00 Adelaide City will meet Noarlunga United. The other S.A. candidate West Adelaide will travel to Perth to play Ascot Tricolore on the same night.

Adelaide City secretary Carmine Picarello confirmed this week that the other two Scots imports, provided there are no immigration hitches, should arrive in Adelaide this week and are expected to play against St. Melbourn this Sunday. They are Graham Fyfe, 26, a forward from Dumbarton and Pat McCluskey, 25, a mid-field from Celtic. Striker Jim Muir also from Scotland arrived last week. All three were signed by Picarello while on a recent visit to Scotland. John Kosmina is due to arrive later this week from Arsenal to join City for five or six guest appearances. All their reinforcements should be ready to fire in the grand old local derby against West Adelaide on May 28.

S.A.S.F. FIXTURES FOR MAY 13
First Division: Polonia v Victoria, Para Hills v Elizabeth, Cumberland v Azzurri, Noarlunga v Lion, Beograd v Croatia.

Second Division: Port v South, Birkdale v Salisbury, Modbury v Don, Campbelltown v Windsor, West Field v Orange.

Third Division: Brighton v Adelaide University, West Adelaide v West Torrens, Sait v Adelaide City.

Rowley-Baker Cup: Flinders v Noarlunga City.

NEXT WEEK, MAY 20
First Division: Azzurri v Beograd, Elizabeth v Cumberland, Victoria v Para Hills, Lion v Polonia, Croatia v Noarlunga City.

Second Division: Don v West Fields, Salisbury v Modbury, South v Birkdale, Windsor v Port, Orange v Campbelltown.

Third Division: Adelaide Uni. v West Adelaide, Adelaide City v Brighton, Flinders Uni. v Sait.

Challenge Cup: West Torrens v Noarlunga City.

MIKE JOHNSON, at present St George junior coaching director, is the likely new coach of troubled APIA. Johnson has asked the Saints to release him from his agreement with them and they are likely to agree.

SYDNEY YOUTH LEAGUE



Last week's results:

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Hakoah	3	2	—	9	4	8
Wests	3	—	1	21	4	6
Marc. Comets	2	2	1	20	5	6
Marc. Raiders	2	1	1	10	5	5
St. G. Dragons	2	1	—	6	4	5
Newcastle	1	2	2	8	6	4
St. G. Comets	1	1	2	5	7	3
Olympic	1	1	3	5	10	3
West. NSW	—	—	5	3	42	—

Draw for this week:

West. NSW v St. George Comets (Sat., Orange, 1 pm)
Marconi Comets v Newcastle (Sat., Marconi, 11.30 am)

St. George Dragons v Olympic, and West. Sub. v Marconi Raiders (grounds and dates to be arranged: for information ring Sid Rennie on 713-2045).

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THURSDAY, MAY 11: Disco Night compered by radio personality Chris Ball.
FRIDAY, MAY 12: Cabaret Dance — Ray Williams Orchestra.
SATURDAY, MAY 13: LORRAINE DELANEY — Swinging Popular Vocaliste.
SUNDAY, MAY 14: 2 p.m. film. Words and music for this film were written by John Lennon and Paul McCartney.
PHILIP GOULD — Top TV vocal entertainer.
TUESDAY, MAY 16: Euchre Night.

ENTERTAINMENT GUIDE FOR MEMBERS

Smalltalk

If nothing else, you must admire the pluck of this kid Craig Johnston who stormed into a Sydney airport press conference with all the brashness of a pop star.

Within minutes he expressed "disappointment, annoyance and surprise" that so far he had not been approached to play for Australia — although he's been away for three years in England.

With a full six first team games under his belt at Middlesbrough, he has declared his preference for an eventual Scottish cap over an Australian one, his intention to get a coaching licence next year when he's 18 and coyly admitted that he could be the first £1 million transfer player in Britain.

Then, almost as an afterthought, he added that he wasn't either a skilful or a naturally talented player.

I imagine his worth if he were one...

Of course, Craig's fairytale story might well continue — he COULD play for Scotland one day (through his ancestry); he COULD be sold for £1 million.

But so far the press got carried away slightly because Craig, an Australian, made the English first division — where there are some 400-500 other players as well.

In fact, it's easy to read into the press euphoria a great deal of the old Australian colonial servility: one of us has been accepted by England.

Sure he has — why shouldn't he? Not all those 500 first division pros are Brookings and Bradys and McDonalds.

We have a host of players who, had they Craig's determination to succeed at his age of 17, would have walked into English first division sides.

And some years ago, Joe Marston did it, playing for several seasons with Preston North End, appearing in a Cup final and captaining the English League team.

Don't get me wrong: Craig Johnston may well be heading for stardom and we will be just as pleased as the next man if he makes it.

But to succeed on a more permanent basis than just a few matches, he will need all his courage, ambition, luck — and a dash of humility which, even at 17, is an essential ingredient.

South Melbourne has announced the appointment of Mark Whitewood as the "first fulltime soccer club administrator" in Australia.

Well, that he is not, unless you exclude NSW from Australia, something the Victorians are good at.

Over the years, I'd say since about 1968, St. George, Hakoah, Wests, Marconi, Olympic and even tiny Toongabbie have had several such men in charge.

Typically enough, Whitewood comes from an Australian Rules (or whatever they call it nowadays) club to this exulted post.

There is no other sport in this country which would hand over top positions to men without proper soccer background with such regularity.

In fact, they should add the warning to the job advertisements: "People with soccer background shouldn't apply."

That marvellous, colorful pagan festival of modern Britain — the FA Cup final — received considerable attention in the Sydney newspapers.

All of them devoted two to four pages to pre-match specials, giving the most intimate details of the teams and players involved.

If only the doings of Australian soccer would receive such royal treatment...

But Australian soccer to our newspaper editors is merely provincial, a poor quality export from the Mother Country.

The various European Cup finals, in pure sporting significance, rate far higher than the FA Cup final.

But, of course, they are not British. I wonder if the same newspapers will devote the same generous space to this year's European Champion's Cup finalist FC Bruges?

Crowds chucking bottles at players... mob invading the field... game officials insulted... players escorted off by baton-wielding police...

No, it's not soccer: it happened in a "Test" cricket match between West Indies and Australia. What's the world coming to?

Sure, the Press duly reported the riot and lavishly illustrated it with photos.

But I couldn't find one editorial about the decaying moral standard of cricket, the inherent qualities of the game that spark of such "un-Australian" behaviour or one single blanket condemnation of the game itself and the West Indies.

No, that really wouldn't be cricket.

AC Milan may come in June (or July)... the England "B" team may still drop in... Dundee could play a match in Sydney...

... it's all a bit of a mess, really. And one wonders why it has to be.

Both the ASF and the NSW Federation should plan these tours through accredited and reputable agents which abound in Europe.

Going through an obscure travel agency or leaving things to a rather busy ASF executive is inviting trouble.

The NSW Federation in particular should appoint one man locally to plan and execute tour invitations months in advance and pay him a fee.

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A. DETTRE

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SATURDAY, MAY 13: Dance Music from 8.00 p.m. SHOWTIME with JOHN and WENDY PRESTON — 8.00 p.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 14: Special Mother's Day Luncheon in Dining Room — 12 noon.

Disco Nite — 7.30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17: Chris Ball's Disco Nite — 7.30 p.m.

FOR MEMBERS' INFORMATION



PHILIPS LEAGUE '78



Peter Marinello, Canberra City's new ace, made his debut last week.

Canberra

The Prime Minister, Malcolm Fraser, has officially accepted a post as patron of Canberra City. A spokesman for the PM said he apologised for being unable to attend the Marconi game last Saturday, but he had prior commitments.

Australia's sprinting stars Paul Narra and Denise Robertson will be just two of Australia's 20 top athletes who will compete in events prior to Canberra City's home game against Western Suburbs on Saturday, May 20, at the National Stadium. The events are part of Canberra City's pre-game entertainment, and are vital to the athletes in their preparation for the Commonwealth Games in Edmonton, Canada, in July.

Hundreds of spectators waited for over half an hour behind the grandstand to cheer and congratulate their team after the draw with Marconi.

Before the game the 6000-seat grandstand was overflowing an hour before kick-off time.

Brian Stoddart has been transferred for \$7000, while Ken Henderson has been sold to local

Philips League Cup opponents West Woden Juventus for \$300.

Steven Hogg was all set to appear against Marconi, but he injured his ankle in the pre-match kick-around. He joins Gary Parker on the injured list. Johnny Davies, named in the Australian squad to face Greece, now has his leg out of plaster.

Peter Marinello said at his press conference on the day he arrived that he was not so much a stamina man, but an exciting kind of player. Saturday proved he was not joking. If he continues to play the way he did, he won't be labelled as a highly paid holiday maker when he departs in 10 weeks' time.

Canberra City, in association with the Capital Permanent Building Society, will run a coaching clinic at Deakin Oval, Canberra, from May 15 to 19 inclusive. The classes are for children up to 10 years of age (10 am to 12 noon) and those 11 to 16 (2 pm to 4 pm). For only \$2 children can attend any or all of their sessions. Coaches include Warren, Marinello, Tilised and Byrne.

— C. KUNZ

OFFICIAL PROGRAM OF PHILIPS SOCCER LEAGUE



THIS WEEK

Saturday, May 13

Footscray v Newcastle Schinkler, 3 p.m.

Sunday, May 14

Marconi v St. George Marconi, 3 p.m.
East Hakoah v Canberra Wentworth, 1 p.m.
West Sub v West Adel Wentworth, 3 p.m.
Fitzroy v Lions Olympic, 3 p.m.
Adelaide City v Sth. Melb. Olym. Field, 2.30 p.m.
Brisb. City v Olympic Perry Park, 3 p.m.

NEXT WEEK

Saturday, May 20

Fitzroy v Adel City Middle Pk, 3 p.m.
Canberra v West Sub Bruce, 3 p.m.

Sunday, May 21

St. George v East Hakoah Barton, 3 p.m.
Olympic v Marconi Wentworth, 3 p.m.
West Adel v Sth Melb. Hindmarsh, 2.30 p.m.

The Newcastle v Brisbane City and Lions v Footscray games are postponed because of the Queensland v Dundee fixture.

— M. Hay

Marinello & Co. set to cut up Hakoah

With two points separating third from eleventh on the PSL table, the movements of the field still tend to be violent.

— By Andrew Dettre —

Except, perhaps, at the very top where Marconi sit in majestic isolation, enjoying a splendid mountain view of the plebs struggling in the valley.

But for how long? By all accounts, Marconi could have or perhaps should have lost their unbeaten record in Canberra last week had the locals been able to rid themselves of their draw-complex.

For the first time, the Basic Raiders may even be in some sort of trouble; with Richards suspended, Jankovics injured and Vieri showing signs of staleness necessitating his replacement, they may not have all the enormous edge over St George which their respective positions would suggest.

The Saints, though still far from convincing, have conceded only two goals in their four matches — and both in one game.

Their main problems lie in midfield where they are not creative enough and up front where O'Connor has to carry the brunt of the attack.

If St George can rise to the occasion, they may make a match of it against the leaders; otherwise they could go down without a murmur.

Easts Hakoah, gradually slipping further back into the field, have major defensive problems which they are unlikely to rectify in a hurry.

In Canberra City they will have some tough opponents playing brisk, lively and enterprising stuff.

Hakoah are stale and hesitant and their defence is vulnerable, especially on the flanks.

And this is where Marinello, Heywood and others can cut through with their speedy attacks.

In Canberra's case, one always tends to forecast a draw — but in this instance they may be able to go one better.

West meets West in the third Sydney game with

Newcastle United coach Alan Vest claimed after the drawn match against Fitzroy last week that the absence of Bill Amey through injury had a serious effect on the efficiency of his side.

Vest felt that Amey's controlled distribution was missed causing a lack of cohesiveness and inventiveness in the team.

Club trainer Frank Campbell is striving to get Amey fit for selection in the team to meet Footscray in Melbourne on Saturday.

Teenage winger Peter Tredennick could also be brought into calculations for a place in the United attack.

Newcomers Craig Johnston and Bob Mountford took over from Bill Amey and Neal Endacott in the Newcastle United side which played Fitzroy United.

But shortly after halftime it was obvious that both were 'elly legged' following their jet flight to Australia and their arrival last Thursday.

Johnston produced a bagful of soccer trickery in the first half, though lack of understanding with his teammates spoiled some fine movements.

Mountford was on the receiving end of too many lofted balls down the middle which were gobbled up by the Fitzroy defenders and his value to the team cannot be properly assessed for another week or so.

Before re-joining Middlesbrough for the 1977-78 soccer season, Craig Johnston was faced with a serious dilemma, as were officials of the Northern N.S.W. Soccer Federation.

While playing with Lake Macquarie in the local first division competition in one of the final games of the season against Cardiff, Johnston was ordered off for alleged head butting an opponent.

He was subsequently suspended for three months, practically on the eve of his departure for England, which would have meant his suspension would be served at a crucial stage of striving for a place in the Middlesbrough lineup.

A subsequent hearing of an appeal by Johnston reduced the sentence to two games, and a most relieved young man headed back to England for what has been an almost fairy tale season for him.

In the space of a few months he had joined Middlesbrough's first team squad; made headlines in the British newspapers with a life risking swim to safety after being marooned on an island in the English Channel; became the youngest player ever to don the colours of 'The Boro' in an English Cup tie; scored his first goal against West Ham; playing against cup finalists Arsenal a week ago before flying back to Australia to join Newcastle United.

To cap a most eventful life this confident young man, has signed a three-year contract with Middlesbrough as a fully fledged professional soccer player.

Brisbane City have to increase their striking power if they are to worry the tight Olympic defence.

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Western Suburbs paid dearly

for some goalkeeping errors last week but, at home, they will be a different proposition.

The Adelaide outfit showed remarkable fighting qualities in coming back from the brink of defeat.

With Karpas now fully acclimated, they will be very hard to toss unless Western Suburbs' ailing midfield gets going again.

Adelaide City, unable to sustain their upward climb, have to face the steady and solid South Melbourne and could share the points.

If Kolecky they have a winner and Kosmina should be back in time to join the party for the season's biggest attraction and biggest crowd.

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Footscray, close to top

form, will have a first class

battle with Newcastle where

child prodigy Johnstone and

newcomer Mountford will be

keenly watched.

If Footscray's clever style is combined with determination, they should retain the points.

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Fitzroy, keen to get away from

bottom of the table, will have a

fight on their hands against the

ever improving Lions.



Terry Byrne (left) tackled by Ivo Prskalo in the Canberra v Marconi match. Both Canberra pictures by Stuart Butterworth.

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St. George Brisbane City

2 (0) 0

ST. GEORGE: Coe 3, Holmik 3, Harris 3, Grosse 4, Morgan 4, J. O'Shea 3 (Terry: 89m), Mendez 3 (Durisic: 74m), Gnavi 4, R. O'Shea 3, O'Connor 4, Jones 3.

Goals: 1-0 Gnavi (46m), 2-0 Durisic (82m). **Referee:** A. Boskovic. **Crowd:** 950. **Cautions:** Gnavi, Echeverria.

The ABC's erudite Martin Royal perhaps came closest to accurately describing this match when he remarked that it looked as if both teams and the supporters had stayed up all night to watch the FA Cup Final from Wembley; for in the first 45 minutes little action was provided by the lethargic players to keep the weary fans awake. However, right after the break Saints grabbed the lead and injected a needed dose of enthusiasm back into the match when Gnavi sent a measured shot past Wishart after Mendez had neatly laid back the ball. The second half was nearly all St. George, except for some token attacks in the last five minutes by a disheartened and tired City side. Saints won the match mainly because they changed their aimless tactics of

— S. DETTRE

Fitzroy

2 (1) 2 (0)

NEWCASTLE UNITED: Dando 3, Willis 3, Curran 4, Summerscales 5, Drinkwater 4, Mason 3, Hardes 3, Johnston 3 (Sneddon: 72m), Mountford 3, Boden 4, Galpin 3 (Endacott: 46m).

Goals: 1-0 Boden (21m), 1-1 Buljevic (64m), 1-2 Campbell (68m), 2-2 Mason (82m). **Crowd:** 7826. **Cautions:** Taylor, Johnston.

The enigmatic Newcastle United were at it again before a crowd of 7826 at the well appointed International Sports Centre — squandering the lead and being forced to be satisfied with yet another draw. In ten games this season, United have figured in six drawn matches, and are still seeking their initial "home" win for their enthusiastic supporters. Against Fitzroy, Newcastle set up half a dozen gilt-edge scoring chances in the first half hour, but only one by striker Ken Boden was accepted. This was a gem of a counter by one of PSL's most alert marksmen. From a long throw in from Craig Johnston Boden took a headed pass from Galpin to body swerve his way past Jim O'Reilly to sweep a glorious ball into the far corner of the net. The precision of placement rather than his pace was what deceived goalkeeper Peter Blasby, one of Fitzroy's heroes of the day. Unfortunately, scoring a goal seems to have a psychological detrimental effect on this Newcastle side. Almost immediately their standard of play deteriorated — gone was the crisp, build-up in attack and pressure on the Fitzroy defence slackened. Even

— M. HAY

West Adelaide

3 (1) 2 (2)

WEST ADELAIDE: Crook 4, Tymczyszyn 3, Reynolds 5, McGachey 4, Vagianos 3 (Norris: 40m, 3), Jones 3, Boyle 4, Pilans 4, Bozanic 4, Honeyman 4, McGregor 4.

Goals: 1-0 Bozanic (20m), 1-1 Barnes (22m), 1-2 Barnes (36m), 2-2 O'Connor (t.o.g.). **Referee:** T. Beasley (Melbourne). **Crowd:** 4822. **Cautions:** Vagianos, Jones, Stevenson, Barnes.

At press time West Adelaide were about to appoint a successor to coach John Margaritis, but after their amazing performance in notching their first win over Eastern Suburbs the question arises — who needs a coach? Westad, minus their former Greek international Con Kampas who was injured against Marconi, fielded last week's unsuccessful line-up with captain Neil McGachey in charge. There was no discernible change in tactics, but Westad inflicted the first defeat away from Sydney on the PSL champions with a determined 90 minute team effort. Easts, without Kevin Mulien and last year's leading striker Terry Smith, answered the challenge to prevent a highly competitive game which induced Melbourne referee Tony Beasley to produce his yellow card four times. Westad began aggressively and gained their reward when Vic Bozanic hammered in a rebound after Todd Clarke had failed to hold a piledriver from Peter Boyle. It was a short-lived lead, however, as just two minutes later Murray Barnes gleefully accepted a misdirected passback from Lucki Vagianos to net an

— A. CRISP

Sth. Melbourne

2 (2)

SOUTH MELBOURNE: Hansen 3, Pye 3, Kalafatidis 3, Baxter 4, Hatzimanouil 4, Lutton 3, Wright 4, Rogers 3, **Campbell** 5, Ollerton 4, **Kent** 5.

Goals: 0-1 Vernon (2m), 1-1 (24m). **Referee:** J. Dixon. **Crowd:** 4000. **Cautions:** O'Donnell, Wilson.

The first half to one of wing play in the second, feeding long through balls for O'Connor to chase. It was from this type of play that they scored two goals, and could have perhaps had another in the 68th minutes when Jones headed high. In the first half the only attacking abilities Saints showed were the thunderous shots of Jones, who can pack a real wallop from 30 metres, but apart from that they offered little till O'Connor was allowed to run. City relied heavily upon wee Willie Conner up front, and although he would have to be one of the best dribblers in the League, he lacks a shot, and also had no effective partner, with Marley being tightly marked by Morgan and Grosse.

— S. DETTRE

West. Suburbs

1 (1)

WESTERN SUBURBS: Lachowicz 2 (Woodhouse: 46m), Skelern 3, Turnbull 4, Noble 3, Wilson 3, Harding 4, Stone 3, **O'Donnell** 5, Scott 3, C. Eaton 4, Vernon 4.

Goals: 0-1 Vernon (2m), 1-1 (24m). **Referee:** J. Dixon. **Crowd:** 4000. **Cautions:** O'Donnell, Wilson.

Goalie Lachowicz must be blamed for Western Suburbs' defeat. With only two minutes gone, Vernon converted a loose deflection from South Melbourne keeper Hansen. However, tragedy struck the visitors when Lachowicz failed in his first test of the game in the 8th minute. Peter Ollerton unleashed a 40-metre piledriver which sneaked into the net between the goalie's legs. Thrown by this adversity Wests went into a defensive stance to guard a shaky goalkeeper. However, Ollerton got his second goal soon enough from a pass by Wright. Souths dominated the match until the end of the first half and could have gone further ahead had Lutton taken the potentially best scoring chance of the game shortly

— C. NIKOPOULOS

Sydney Olympic

1 (0)

OLYMPIC: Meier 4, Palmer 4, Cross 3, Markland 4, Belli 3, Luckett 3 (Senkalski: 58m), **Laing** 5, Jamieson 3, D. Alian 3 (Raskopoulos: 81m), Davorius 4, Ilioski 4, Piciaone 3, Nikolaidis 4, Ristovski 3.

Goals: 0-1 Piciaone (24m), 1-1 Laing (58m). **Referee:** A. Rodway (Newcastle). **Crowd:** 6311.

It seemed at the start that Sydney Olympic were dead set on losing their reputation for accurate football, but by the end they had retained it. More importantly, they had a draw point to show for their outing, and indeed they would not have needed much extra to have both points. Their star on the day was Derek Laing, and he shone brightly throughout. Apart from scoring the 58th minute equaliser from Alec Jamieson's pass which had even the outstanding Dennis Bojand stumped, he went very close in the 72nd and 73rd minutes. Equality devastating was the Footscray goalkeeper Dennis Bojand. He had only a split second to spot a great 63rd minute drive from the alert Alian Ainslie, but he got it away to safety in fine style. Footscray started out with all their usual smoothness, and it came as no surprise when Joe

— K. GILMOUR

Footscray

1 (1)

FOOTSCRAY: Boland 5, Hazabent 4, Lujic 1 (sent off 53m), Krianis 4, Kondaros 4, Rujevic 3 (Martin: 77m), Palinkas 4, Ilioski 4, Piciaone 3, Nikolaidis 4, Ristovski 3.

Goals: 0-1 Piciaone (24m), 1-1 Laing (58m). **Referee:** A. Rodway (Newcastle). **Crowd:** 6311.

Piciaone netted from a low cross by Jim Krianis, who came up the wing with a really great run. Olympic suffered from tentativeness on the part of Don Alian, later replaced by Senkalski. Whilst they did not make sufficient use of the wings again, by the second half they were pounding Footscray with long balls from the back, hitting them with clever passing moves, and slowing down to create some telling build-ups. Davorius showed his skills, but he was not right in the action for the full 90 minutes. Afterwards Footscray coach Cedo Cirkovic was rightly upset about his full-back Zoravko Lujic, who foolishly handled twice and paid the penalty by both showering 37 minutes early and handing an advantage to the opposition.

— K. GILMOUR

Brisbane Lions

Adelaide City

3 (1)

1 (1)

LIONS: Lownds 4, Wilson 3, **Hermiston** 6, **Bennett** 5, **Potter** 5, Neale 4, Spearritt 3, Hughes 3, Lasio 3, Fairbrother 3 (Venables: 70m), Ontong 3 (Amos: 58m).

Goals: 0-1 Kolecki (9m), 1-1 Potter (28m), 2-1 Lasio (63m), 3-1 Hermiston (78m, pen). **Referee:** John Van Der Lynde. **Crowd:** 3000.

Lions gave their supporters a few anxious moments but still came away in the second half to dash Adelaide City's hopes with a 3-1 win. Lions' Nigel Lownds, despite having an outstanding match, continued his team's costly run of defensive errors when he allowed what should have been a harmless Kolecki header trickie through his arms in the 9th minute. It seemed all of Lions' attractive attacking work in the first half was going to amount to nothing until fullback Potter hammered a blistering ground shot past Peter Marshall in the 28th minute. Lions put together their best work only in patches and often left huge gaping holes in the midfield, which Perin, Marocchi and Kolecki surprisingly failed to exploit. From a Spearritt corner in the 63rd minute, Barrie Fairbrother nodded down a pass to Lasio, who did well to poke it home from close range. With a little more steadiness, the ever dangerous John Nyskohus could have made things hot for Lions, who eventually secured

ADELAIDE CITY: Marshall 3, **B. Nyskohus** 5, Lister 3, Besir 4, Yung 3, Perin 3, Kolecki 4, Marocchi 3 (Muniz: 70m), J. Nyskohus 3, Muir 2 (Marwe: 70m), Northcote 3.

Goals: 0-1 Kolecki (9m), 1-1 Potter (28m), 2-1 Lasio (63m), 3-1 Hermiston (78m, pen). **Referee:** John Van Der Lynde. **Crowd:** 3000.

some vital breathing space when Hermiston slotted home a penalty following a foul on John Neale. Hermiston was the man of the match, sweeping perfectly and bottling up the often dangerous City thrusts and he led a series of first time shots. Lions rained on Marshall's goal in the first half. Newcomer Jim Muir was rarely sighted, not surprisingly considering the lack of time he has had to acclimatise. Adelaide City picked up momentum when Muniz replaced Marocchi but the damage had been done and the midfielder spent most of his time on the field engaged in a pointless running battle with his opposite number Spearritt. Spearritt was very lucky not to get a yellow card when he crudely squared off an earlier foul against him by Muniz, and referee John Van Der Lynde also should have booked John Nyskohus when he vented his feelings to a linesman with a gesture which would have done Winston Churchill proud.

— B. WADDELL

Canberra City

Marconi

0 (0)

CANBERRA CITY: Tilsed 5, Moulis 4, Brown 4, Stark 3, Milovanovic 4, Cant 4, Henderson 4, Gruicic 3, Heywood 3, Byrne 4, **Marinello** 6.

Referee: H. Witschge. **Crowd:** 8415. **Cautions:** Gruicic, Richards, Maher, Brown. **Sent off:** Richards (84m).

Marconi stumbled out of their jinx city with a point — but only just. Urged on by an official Canberra record crowd of 8416, the "Multiethnics" responded with a dominating display, only partially reflected in the corner tally — Canberra 12, Marconi 2. In fact, the closest the visitors came to scoring was in the first half when Sharne skinned a shot at goal in a crowded area, and later, when Mariani failed to connect with an attempted diving header. Yet through some good keeping by Maher, and poor finishing and bad luck on Canberra's part, Marconi remained undefeated while City achieved their sixth consecutive home draw. From the kick-off the pressure was on Marconi. When in possession, they were never given the time or room to break quickly. Moulis bottled up Sharne, while Jankovics was the only forward to show enough skill and pace to be a threat. In midfield, Rooney tried hard, and even managed to dispossess Marinello once. As for Canberra: after three minutes Maher had to dive low to save a Gruicic shot, and later one from Heywood. Gruicic, unmarked and free on the edge of the area, failed to control a Brown pass. A Cant centre ran along the crossbar, and Byrne headed the Heywood return fractionally over. Maher was beaten by a Cant pass that was deflected into an upright — the ball corkscrewed across an unguarded goal and eventually out of play. In the second half, Henderson blasted a shot from long range centimetres over the bar; Marinello came close after a great dribble and drive. Cant was well wide from the edge of the area; Henderson, storming through, miscued a Cant pass on the penalty spot; Heywood, five metres out, placed his shot wide of both Maher and the goal. Richards was sent off, though Witschge wouldn't reveal why, and Jankovics was carried off after colliding with Henderson. Oh, by the way, while all that was going on, Marinello was everywhere, dribbling and passing superbly. Who said scoreless draws were dull?

— C. KUNZ



PHILIPS LEAGUE RESULTS

	Hakoah	Marconi	Fitzroy	Adel. City	West. Sub.	St. George	West Adel.	Footscray	Br. Lions	Br. City	South Melb.	Olympic	Canberra	Newcastle
P	0-0	2-1	1-2	23/7	20/8	6/8	25/6	1-3	2/7	0-0	28/5	14/5	11/6	
9/7	1-1	4-0	1-1	6-2	14/5	2-0	18/7	11/6	3-2	26/7	20/8	6/8	28/5	
18/6	4/6	2-1	21/5	0-3	23/7	1-1	27/8	14/5	1-0	2/7	3-1	16/7	6/8	
16/7	2/7	20/8	1-2	4-2	1-0	28/5	0-1	6/8	18/6	14/5	0-1	4/6	1-1	
3-2	16/7	25/6	30/7	2-1	28/5	14/5	0-0	2-2	3-1	6/8	11/6	20/8	1-1	
21/5	13/8	2-0	25/6	27/8	1-1	4/6	30/7	15/7	2-0	0-2	2/7	2-1	2-3	
3-2	30/7	9/7	27/8	13/8	1-4	5	1-2	3-0	23/7	21/5	0-1	11/6	25/6	
1-1	0-2	28/5	11/6	2/7	2-0	16/7	20/8	4/6	0-2	6/8	23/7	14/5		
4/6	0-3	13/8	3-1	18/6	0-0	2/7	21/5	1	27/8	1-1	23/7	2-2	30	

NSW TABLES

DIV. 1, GRADE 1

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Monaro	6	3	—	20	9	15
Croatia	6	—	2	16	4	12
Melita	5	—	3	23	12	10
Sutherland	4	2	2	9	5	10
Apia	3	2	3	11	9	8
Mv. Olympic	3	2	3	8	11	8
Manly	3	2	4	11	20	9
Auburn	3	1	3	20	9	7
Yugal	3	1	3	12	10	7
Avala	3	1	4	8	7	7
Granville	2	2	3	8	11	6
Toongabbie	1	4	3	3	6	6
Bankstown	1	1	5	7	16	3
Arncliffe	1	1	6	3	18	3

DIV. 1, GRADE 2

Manly	8	1	—	26	3	17
Sutherland	6	—	2	32	6	12
Arncliffe	4	3	1	19	4	11
Croatia	5	1	2	17	11	11
Granville	4	1	2	11	8	9
Auburn	4	—	3	19	9	8
APIA	3	2	3	8	8	8
Melita	3	2	3	11	13	8
Mv. Olympic	2	3	3	11	15	7
Avala	3	—	5	12	20	6
Yugal	3	—	4	9	21	6
Toongabbie	1	3	4	12	16	5
Monaro	1	—	8	6	38	2
Bankstown	—	—	7	6	27	—

DIV. 1, GRADE 3

Manly	6	—	1	19	7	12
Sutherland	5	1	1	20	5	11
Granville	4	1	1	8	3	9
Melita	5	—	3	10	11	10
Arncliffe	3	2	2	13	10	8
Avala	4	—	4	13	11	8
APIA	3	1	3	10	10	7
Croatia	3	1	3	8	9	7
Toongabbie	3	1	3	12	13	7
Bankstown	2	1	4	9	14	5
Yugal	1	1	4	5	13	3
Auburn	1	—	5	3	10	2
Mv. Olympic	—	1	6	3	17	1

DIV. 2, GRADE 1

Ku-ring-gai	7	1	—	29	6	15
Blacktown	6	2	1	24	7	14
Revesby	5	2	1	17	10	12
Uni of NSW	5	1	3	23	13	11
Belmore	4	2	2	14	7	10
Polonia	3	4	—	10	7	6
Warringah	3	1	4	13	12	7
Glad Hornsby	2	2	3	12	18	6
N.S. Inter	1	2	3	6	15	4
Marrickville	1	2	6	9	24	4
Queens Park	1	—	7	11	30	1
Guildford	—	—	7	8	25	0

DIV. 2, GRADE 2

Uni of NSW	7	1	1	28	12	15
Belmore	7	1	1	18	7	15
Ku-ring-gai	5	1	1	14	10	11
Revesby	4	2	1	12	9	10
Marrickville	3	3	2	15	14	9
Polonia	3	2	3	18	17	8
Blacktown	2	2	3	8	11	6
Gladesville	2	1	5	14	11	4
Warringah	1	2	4	3	10	4
Queens Park	1	2	3	8	12	4
N.S. Inter	1	1	4	10	18	3
Guildford	—	1	6	4	16	1

DIV. 2, GRADE 3

Belmore	6	2	1	27	6	14
Warringah	6	1	1	18	5	13
Blacktown	5	3	—	11	5	13
Ku-ring-gai	5	1	1	17	3	11
Gladesville	4	1	2	15	9	9
Polonia	3	1	4	18	11	7
Revesby	2	2	3	13	9	6
Queens Park	2	1	3	11	9	5
N.S. Inter	1	1	4	10	18	3
Marrickville	—	—	8	5	29	0

DIV. 3, GRADE 1

Nepean	7	—	—	27	8	14
Bondi	5	1	1	19	11	11
Bathurst	4	1	1	17	8	9
Lethbridge	3	1	2	12	7	6
Lane Cove	3	1	3	9	10	7
Glad. Ravens	2	2	1	11	7	6
West Ryde	2	1	3	5	7	5
Yagoona	2	1	3	7	15	4
Dee Why	2	—	5	14	10	4
Riverstone	—	4	3	8	16	4
Pt. Hacking	1	1	4	11	19	3
Twenty War.	—	1	5	5	25	1

DIV. 3, GRADE 2

Pt. Hacking	5	—	1	21	8	10
Glad. Ravens	4	—	1	22	5	8
Nepean	3	2	2	15	9	8
Bondi	4	—	3	16	17	8
Lethbridge	3	1	2	14	10	7
Yagoona	3	1	2	14	10	7
Lane Cove	2	3	2	14	13	7
West Ryde	2	1	3	9	9	5
Bathurst	2	1	3	6	7	5
Dee Why	1	3	3	10	15	5
Riverstone	2	1	4	12	30	5
Twenty War.	—	1	4	3	21	1

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STATE LEAGUE DETAILS

CROATIA—SUTHERLAND 0-2 (0-1)

The skills of Steve Meades and the almost complete blotting out of Attila Abonyi were the main contributing factors to Sutherland's shock 2-0 win. Meades laid on the first goal for Craig Hall against the run of play. It was Craig Hall who settled the issue four minutes from fulltime when a defensive mix-up allowed him to run the ball into the empty net. Meades display was magnificent in defence and attack, and he invariably found his man with his passes. Basterfield and Schumann sat on Attila Abonyi all day, and the brilliant Socceroo had only two chances, both of which were well covered by Phil Crags in the

Shire goal. Frustration gripped the Croatian team, and they were unable to breach the opposing defence.

CROATIA: Watson 3, R. Russell 3, Cagali 4, Basic 3, Smith 4, J. Russell 3, Mullen 3, Savor 3, Abonyi 3, Coleman 2 (Kovacic: 74m), Sullivan 3.

SUTHERLAND: Crags 4, Schumann 4, Wykes 3, Watkiss 3, Dal Forno 3, Meades 5, Beggs 3, Smith 3, C. Hall 4, Basterfield 4, P. Hall 2 (Burke 81m).

Goals: 0-1 C. Hall (35m), 0-2 C. Hall (86m). **Referee:** R. Lorenz. **Crowd:** 3249.

E. De MESQUITA

YUGAL—MONARO 3-3 (0-2)

Yugal came within an ace of defeating the leaders in what was surely one of the best State League games of the year. Monaro settled the quicker and scored in the 25th minute from Walter Valeri's freekick. They netted again right on halftime through Peter Lawler. Yugal came back full of zest, scoring in the 47th minute from Peter Cuk's freekick, but Monaro went to 3-1 through Danny Brighten's header. It was left to Tom Mihailovic to chip his freekick past Palet, and finally Ron Delaney, the player of the match, to draw level.

APIA—ARNCLIFFE 2-1 (1-1)

After a lethargic showing like this, APIA's supporters must be very concerned over their prospects for the season. The only player in their side who seemed worthy of a State League premiership team was John Doyle. The big striker picked up a 13th minute goal from a neat pass by Ken Lindsay, and scored again in the 57th minute from the penalty spot. Apart from that APIA's work was marred by inferior passing and lack of backing up for the man on the ball. Arncliffe's defence must be given credit for their rugged tackling and speed in blanketing the man, and they deserved the goal that came from Richard Schroeder's 40th minute

shot following Stewart Gilmour's pass.

APIA: McQuire 3, McGinn 3, McMillan 3, Jackson 3, Puijen 3, Lindsay 3, Doyle 4, Carruthers 3, Butler 3, Link 2 (Rutze: 28m) (Miliar: 83m), Griffiths 3.

ARNCLIFFE: Kotzohamas 3, Walsh 3 (Piggott: 23m), Hall 3, Smart 2 (Muscovits: 23m), Blackburn 3, Armstrong 3, O'Meara 3, Bankhead 3, Schroeder 3, Gilmour 3, Martin 3 (Harrington: 71m).

Goals: 1-0 Doyle (13m), 1-1 Schroeder (23m), 2-1 Doyle pen (57m). **Referee:** T. Davies. **Crowd:** 640.

D. WENDT

BANKSTOWN—Mv. OLYMPIC 0-1 (0-1)

Marrickville took the points in a very interesting game with Jim Zeros' penalty kick. Referee Barry Wilkinson pointed to the spot when Paul Thompson cut down Olympic's Terry Thompson just inside the box. Goalkeeper Terry Greedy parried the ball but it spun on to the post and into goal. The two Williams, Neil for Bankstown and Eric for Olympic, had a great tussle. Penman and Sheildrick in the Olympic defence were superb against their former club. Over the final 30 minutes there was sustained pressure on both goalkeepers. Both teams played well

but the difference was Olympic's superior performance in midfield.

BANKSTOWN: Greedy 4, P. Thompson 4, Morrison 3, Brooks 4, Rootsey 2, Trusty 2, Ingle 3 (McMillan: 85m), Williams 4, Peck 2 (M. Thompson: 79m), Daley 3, Kent 2.

MARRICKVILLE: El Zein 4, Karasopros 3, Sheildrick 4, Penman 4, H. Xipolitas 3, Williams 3, Balafas 4, Zeros 4, Katholias 2 (Nezeritis: 63m), T. Thompson 3, Brown 3.

Goals: 0-1 Zeros pen (34m). **Referee:** B. Wilkinson. **Crowd:** 368.

E. PERSEN

AUBURN—MANLY 2-2 (2-1)

John Dick had a hand in both Manly goals — scoring one and giving Mick Banks an accurate pass from which he scored the equaliser. Auburn started confidently and ran up a 2-0 halftime lead, although even at this stage Manly showed that they would not be easy pickings. John McDonald, always menacing, sent in a 12th minute rocket for Auburn's first goal, and Kevin Dobson scored their second seven minutes later when he met Willie Hamilton's cross with a fierce drive. Dick's first goal followed a run from the deep, and his cross from 35m deceived Auburn goalie Ron Gisborne and went in. Auburn slackened in the second half,

enabling Manly to net a deserved equaliser.

AUBURN: Gisborne 3, Cornett 3, McGlynn 3, Berthram 4, Dobson 4 (Fairclough: 70m), McDonald 4, Sidey 3, Hamilton 4, Stevenson 3, Piggott 3, Tracey 4.

MANLY: Cassettari 4, Dick 4, McDougall 4, E. Gosling 3, Stocks 2, Geoghegan 3, Toal 3, Geekie 4, Banks 4, Stuart 3, Moutet 3 (Roozenendaal: 66m).

Goals: 1-0 McDonald (12m), 2-0 Dobson (19m), 2-1 Dick (20m), 2-2 Banks (75m). **Referee:** G. Power. **Crowd:** 423.

G. STREETER

AVALA—GRANVILLE 0-0

Avala and Granville floundered for 90 minutes and the 0-0 scoreline was a just reward for their efforts. Neither side could gain superiority in a game choc full of misdirected passes and frail attempts at scoring goals. Mark Barton held Avala together on the few occasions that their goal was under threat, whilst Barry Hoare in the Granville goal never looked like being beaten. The small crowd had little to cheer, and the only moments of excitement occurred during the couple of minutes that the Channel 7 TV crew were there to take some footage for the evening news. Paul

D. CLARK

MELITA—TOONGABBIE 2-0 (1-0)

Reminiscent of last year's battles these two sides fought out a hard game which Melita won convincingly. Joe Farrugia and Colin McAusland were masters in midfield and Andrew Huntley added strength to the Eagles' defence which handled whatever Toongabbie had to throw at them. Willingly or otherwise, Raoul Bianco was to make some changes to the side which lost two games in a row, and although it failed to sparkle this team never looked like losing against Toongabbie. Terry Jones and Brian Parker on the wings showed plenty of speed, giving the Toongabbie defenders a hell of a time on the break resulting in some tackling which produced two yellow cards and two cautions for Toongabbie players. Steve Pollard, Larry Armitage and Carlos Ortega built up several good moves in midfield but none

came to any fruition as everything crumbled in the Melita penalty area.

Uwe Bracklow in the Melita goal did not have one shot to save all day, while at the other end Freeman was fully extended on at least three more occasions.

MELITA: Bracklow 4, Verviers 3, Mikas 4, Yamine 4, Huntley 4, Darvill 3, Parker 4, McAusland 4, McGovern 3, Farrugia 4, Jones 3 (Drossos: 67m).

TOONGABBIE: Freeman 4, Taylor 3, Guerri 3, Oldham 4, Parkhouse 3, Pollard 4, Armitage 4, Thomas 3, Izatt 3, Ortega 4, Hormazabeli 3 (De Vaije: 46m).

C. SPITERI

VETERAN DUO COULD SINK SICKLY APIA

Auburn's veterans John McDonald and Willie Hamilton are the men who could give APIA-Leichhardt a ton of trouble when the teams meet at Lambert Park on Sunday.

—By Keith Gilmour—

One could have been accused of having a mental aberration if a draw between Yugal and Monaro had been tipped last week, but it is already on the record, and a very well deserved point at that.

APIA v AUBURN

If last week's form against Arncliffe Scots is any guide, APIA will have to sweat this one out, because Auburn is a much more settled and capable unit than early in the season.

Both APIA and Auburn have mid-table positions, and a victory for either could see them up with Melita and Sutherland and right in a position to challenge the top teams, Monaro and Croatia.

The other match that has a particular attraction is Avala v Yugal at Mona Park.



Alec McMillan, APIA

Early impressions of APIA's recent capture Eric Carruthers, formerly with Hearts and Derby County, are that he has a distinct ability as a goaipoacher, although, perhaps, understandably, he did not shine in his first match with the Maroons.

APIA won 2-1 when the teams met on Anzac Day in Round 14, but now those two Auburn hardheads, John McDonald and Willie Hamilton, have had the chance to settle down, another win is far from certain.

All round, Auburn looks the more convincing, as APIA in their present state of mind must depend too much on John Doyle to collect their goals.

TOONGABBIE v GRANVILLE

Toongabbie stand to win this

LATE BID FOR ENGLAND "B"

The NSW Federation is making a late bid for a Sydney match against the England B team whilst they are on their forthcoming Far Eastern and New Zealand tour.

"We understood originally that they were not available here," NSW secretary Aulden Brown said this week.

The hurried arrangements follow the collapse of the Derby County visit, which has enabled NSW to make a strong approach to the FA for the replacement.

Events have proved the shrewdness of New Zealand's old stage Chairman Charlie Dempsey in negotiating the tour in London almost a year ago.

England "B", managed by cup finalist Ipswich's manager Bob Robson, reads almost like a who's who of English football.

Sydney is just a hop, step and a jump from Auckland if the game can be arranged.

Present events also bring into serious questioning lack of forceful representations at the FA from the Australian Federation.

The job can no longer be left to disinterested Agents-General and their like. Deeply committed and clever negotiators must be found.

Even former FA secretary Sir Stanley Rous made the point when in Sydney in 1977.

Sir Stanley promised to follow up in London the securing of a full England team to tour in Australia's Centenary of Soccer Year, 1982.

Is Australia applying the pressure — or meekly watching and waiting?

One should not have to point out to the ASF that the Sydney Cricket Ground will have night lighting and the possibility of pre-selling tickets to the entire ground, with most of the seats under cover.

—K.G.

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one, although a lot depends on how the younger members of the Granville team perform on the day.

Granville's problem is inconsistency, and they are unlikely to overcome this without one or two more established players to settle them down.

It is strange that the Demons have scored so few goals, but fortunately for them the defensive work of Laurie Parkhouse and Bob Oldham has been very tight, leading to only a couple of goals having been conceded to date.

It is not beyond Toongabbie to take an early grip on midfield, and if they do then either the strikers should ram home one or two goals or the midfielders come through to assist.



Larry Armitage, Toongabbie

BANKSTOWN v ARNCLIFFE

Can Bankstown repeat their shock 2-0 win over the Scots in this meeting at Soccer Centre?

The team that wins will kick up and away from relegations zone, and this factor provides a powerful incentive to throw everything into the fray.

Although Ric Schroeder scored one of his team's all too



rare goals against APIA last Saturday, of the two teams Bankstown appears the more impressive in this all-important department.

It is asking a bit much for them to achieve once again, but their side has been rebuilt remarkably well and it appears to have enough drive to come through for a narrow win.

Possibly Neil Williams could take over in midfield, and if so it is another reason to see Bankstown getting away from the bottom position, currently shared by the two clubs.

AVALA v YUGAL

Yugal have been fortunate that under the NSW Federation constitution an appeal against a send-off leaves the player able to appear for his club and Tom Mihailovic has been able to continue thus far.

Perhaps that is a case for automatic suspension — but that is another matter.

Goals from Tom Morrow and Pat Deller gave Avala the victory in their recent meeting, but Yugal's draw with Monaro shows that they are now made of sterner stuff.

It will be difficult for Yugal to penetrate Avala's defence, but their youngsters are particularly quick on the break, and if they can get a few split seconds to do their job it is quite possible that they will cause another upset.

They have made an excellent capture in Ron Delaney, who is bound to give Avala's defence a whole packet of trouble.

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GREED AND TEMPER HAMPER DUTCH, SCOTS

Looking at the prospects of this foursome the "logical" choice would be Holland and Scotland with an immediate and arbitrary dismissal of the other two. But will it be that simple?

Holland, once again as in 1974, are beset by an almost unbelievable number of internal problems: players haggling over money, clubs demanding compensation, stars pulling out of the team.

The great Cruyff won't be in Argentina and his absence must reduce Holland's chances considerably.

But that's not all: many of their best players are getting close to the veteran stage.

Van Hanegem (33), Jansen (31), Jongbloed (37), Rensenbrink (30), Schrijvers (31) and Suurbier (33) are "old" by World Cup standards where matches have to be played every three days or so.

Apart from Cruyff, the No. 1 goalie van Beveren, top scorer Ruud Geels and others have also refused selection for various reasons.

But even without them, Holland is sending a mighty team to the Mundial; how many other countries have a Neeskens, Krol, Haan, young Johannes Peters or Rensenbrink in their line-up?

Their splendid win last year at Wembley and results since have proved that Holland have retained all the poise, even if not all the pace, of their 1974 brilliance.

In all probability, they will be among the most attractive teams to watch if they can turn on their "total football".

In Neeskens they have a superb leader; he is still one of the greatest midfielders in the world.

Rensenbrink, of Anderlecht, may be given the role Cruyff played four years ago; with Neeskens and Peters he could form a formidable trio.

In attack Holland are certain to rely on Rep, the fast Rene van der Kerkhof and perhaps a new star, Nannington, or their Chinese-Dutch sensation, La Ling Tscheu.

Athletically, Holland will be among the strongest of European challengers, easily standing up to Brazil or Argentina.

In Austrian-born manager Ernest Happel — fulltime coach of the Belgian Bruges — they also have a much tougher man than Rinus Michels four years ago.

In Holland's case it's not the ability that is questioned but the team spirit.

If the players can be motivated and won't argue about bonuses up to the eve of the Cup, they are certain to put on a great show.

They should easily qualify from their group; I expect without defeat.

Whether they can later reach the final depends on their draw. But if there is one team from Europe which looks capable of actually winning the Mundial, not just "doing well", I must give the nod to the Dutch.

The other group favorite is Scotland, sending their strongest ever team to a World Cup, accompanied by some 3500 easily excited fans.

With Scots just about carrying

— By Andrew Dettre —

the best teams in England, it comes as no surprise that manager Ally McLeod has leaned so heavily on his "Anglo-Scots".

The weather will also be on their side: the cool Argentinian winter and probable rain will, no doubt, turn on the tough Scots used to some abominable conditions.

The withdrawal of fullback Danny McGrain through injury and illness is a huge blow to McLeod; he was to be their defensive brain.

Lack of a truly world class goalkeeper could be another handicap.

But this is where their real problems end. McLeod can call on several outstanding defenders, such as Buchan, McQueen, Forsyth, Donachie, Jardine and Kenny Burns and teams that want to pierce this Ceit wall will have to get up early.

In midfield they will have the polished Rioch, the busy Masson, the creative Hartford or the indestructible Archie Gemmill, maybe Souness.

The attack will be explosive: Dalglish and Jordan, aided and abetted by Johnston or Robertson, possibly Manchester United's Luigi Macari, all smack of world class.

If money is the problem with the Dutch, fiery temperament can cause the downfall of the Scots.

In recent years they have acquired a dubious reputation for discipline or lack of it: in many matches they lose players through expulsion or a series of cautions.

In fact, some of the Scottish tackles and charges, especially on goalies, can easily spark off trouble on the field.

Personally, I doubt if they have the right temperament or international experience to win the Mundial.

Probably they will do quite well; they should qualify from their group to the second round rather easily.

But I cannot share their optimism about ultimate success in a field where teams have superior skill (Brazil), style (Holland) or local advantages (Argentina).

Iran — "our" representatives — may emulate Australia's 1974 exploits and escape heavy defeats, maybe even snatch a point off Peru.

But they are outsiders and it must be something like 500 to 1 against them qualifying for the next round.

We have learned to respect Iran's skill, team-work and tactical maturity which cost Australia plenty and these qualities will save them from any real embarrassment.

Their recent trial matches, among them a draw with Yugoslavia, augur well for the likeable Iranians.

In defender Nazari, midfielder Parvin and strikers Sadeghi and Jahani they have some formidable players; the injury-prone but

GROUP 4

talented Roshan is another one to watch.

But the World Cup is not for beginners — and Iran, in that company, rates as a beginner.

It would be great to see the representatives of Asia-Oceania excel yet, in our view, the most they can expect is some close results and the polite applause of the pundits.

Peru's preparations in April ran into a lot of trouble; a defeat in Caracas almost cost manager Calderon his job.

Last week they lost 0-3 to Brazil in Rio — in front of 180,000 fans.

Their team is built on experienced players — many of whom are well past their best, such as Hugo Sotil, the ex-Barcelona ace.

The star stopper, Hector Chumpitaz, is 34 yet still a world class player; Sotil himself is only 30 but much slower than in his Spanish days.

The Peruvians look too fragile for Holland and Scotland — one expects them to be something like a skilled but slow, circumspect Uruguay was four years ago.

The South American milieu will be a definite advantage for them; at least some of their supporters are certain to travel to the Mundial and will make their presence felt.

But Peru must face the Cup with realistic expectations and these certainly don't promise them the necessary points to qualify ahead of Holland and Scotland.

To sum up: The two European teams, Scotland and Holland, should make round two — we expect Holland to finish first if it suits them. By this we mean the last round (Holland v Scotland) could decide the final placings and both teams will try to get into a second group they fancy; something the West Germans were suspected of in 1974.

SCOTLAND'S CUP SQUAD

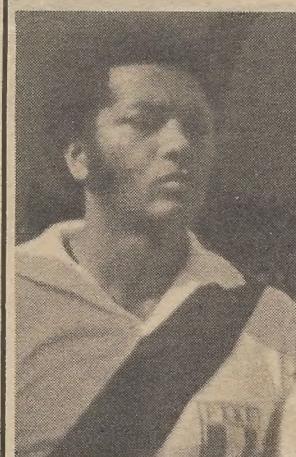
Goalkeepers: Jim Blyth (Coventry), Bobby Clark (Aberdeen), Alan Rough (Patrick). **Defenders:** Martin Buchan, Gordon McQueen (Man Utd), Tom Forsyth, Sandy Jardine (Glasgow Rangers), Kenny Burns (Nott For), Willie Donachie (Man City), Stuart Kennedy (Aberdeen). **Midfield:** Bruce Rioch, Don Masson (Derby), Asa Hartford (Man City), Lou Macari (Man Utd), Archie Gemmill (Nott For), Graeme Souness (Liverpool). **Forwards:** Joe Harper (Aberdeen), Willie Johnston (West Brom), John Robertson (Nott For), Derek Johnstone (Glasgow Rangers), Kenny Dalglish (Liverpool), Joe Jordan (Man City). **Non-travelling reserves:** **Goalkeeper:** Jim Stewart (Kilmarnock). **Defenders:** John Blackley (Newcastle), Willie Miller (Aberdeen). **Forwards:** Arthur Graham (Leeds), Andy Gray (Aston Villa), Ian Wallace (Coventry).



Neeskens



Buchan



Chumpitaz



Parvin

HOLLAND

Population: 13,000,000. **Registered players:** 880,000*

Qualifications:

Iceland v Holland	0-1
Holland v Ireland	2-2
Belgium v Holland	0-2
Holland v Iceland	4-1
Holland v Belgium	1-0
Ireland v Holland	0-1

Manager: Ernst Happel.

Best team: Jongbloed, Suurbier, Rijsbergen, Krol, Hovenkamp-Jansen, Neeskens, Van Hanegem-W. van Kerkhof, Rep, Rensenbrink.

In World Cup finals: 1934, 1938, 1974.

Finalists: 1974 (1-2 to Germany).

*In Holland registered club members are lumped together with registered players.



van Hanegem



Dalglish

SCOTLAND

Population: 5,000,000. **Registered players:** 120,000

Qualifications:

Czechoslovakia v Scotland	2-0
Scotland v Wales	1-0
Scotland v Czechoslovakia	3-1
Wales v Scotland	0-2

Manager: Ally McLeod.

Best team: Rough-Jardine, Buchan, McQueen, Donachie-Rioch, Masson, Gemmill-Dalglish, Jordan, Robertson.

In World Cup finals: 1954, 1958, 1974.

PERU

Population: 13,000,000. **Registered players:** 140,000

Qualifications:

Ecuador v Peru	1-1
Chile v Peru	1-1
Peru v Ecuador	4-0
Peru v Chile	2-0
Brazil v Peru	1-0
Peru v Bolivia	5-0

Manager: Marcos Calderon.

Best team: Quiroga-Navarro, Melendez, Chumpitaz, Diaz-Quediza, Velasquez, Cubillas-Munante, Sotil, Oblitas.

In World Cup finals: 1930, 1970.

Quarterfinalists:

1970.

IRAN

Population: 30,000,000. **Registered players:** 44,000.

Qualifications:

Saudi Arabia v Iran	0-3
Syria v Iran	0-1
Iran v Syria	forfeit
Iran v Saudi Arabia	2-0
Hong Kong v Iran	0-2
Sth. Korea v Iran	0-0
Australia v Iran	0-1
Iran v Kuwait	1-0
Iran v St. Korea	2-2
Iran v Hong Kong	3-0
Iran v Australia	1-0
Kuwait v Iran	1-2

Manager: Mohadjerani Hechmat.

Best team: Hedjazi-Nazari, Kazerani, Abdollah, Eskinaderian-Parvin, Ghassemou, Nayebagh-Sadeghi, Roshan, Jahani.

In World Cup finals: first appearance.



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